

COBRA

Galaxy Nights

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If the king dies, every Chaos soldier on this planet will collapse.



It'll be easy.
A kid could do it.



That's why we only need a small elite team. We quietly approach the castle... and assassinate the king in his sleep!



But there's no guarantee we'll make it back alive.



The insignia of the Great King Shiba, lord of Shiba castle, is a spearhead that represents strength and justice... in other words, a "spade."

The King's order of chivalry was called the "Spade's Order."



...this...!
What the hell does it mean!?



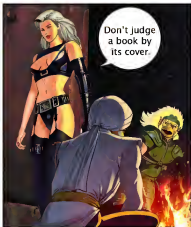
Attached to the invitation was the protocol for the recapture of the castle, and...





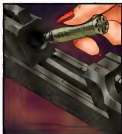
A woman with short blonde hair, wearing a black tactical bodysuit with a large cutout at the chest, a black belt with a large buckle, and black thigh-high boots. She is holding a black rifle in her right hand. She is standing in front of a large, arched opening that glows with a bright red and orange light, resembling a sunset or a fire. A speech bubble is positioned above her head, containing text.

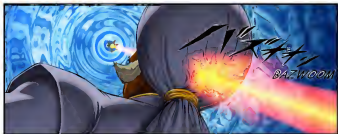
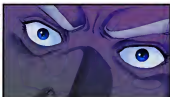
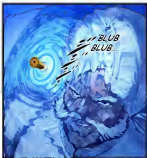
Looks
like our plan
was leaked.
There were two
Chaos soldiers
outside.





I know 99
ways to kill a
man with my
bare hands.











Nice work
on spotting
the Chaos
soldier...



They smell
like the oil they
use to keep their
Mental Storage
Spheres
turning.

I can
recognize a
Chaos
soldier by
scent...



Strong and
sexy. It's the
perfect perfume
for you...!



You, on the
other hand,
smell good.
Let me guess,
Parure...?







グロウアー

GROOAR





You're the
one running
away!

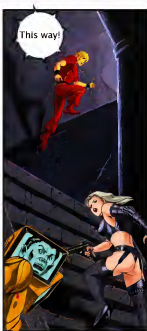
Come on,
fight back!
You're a man,
aren't you?



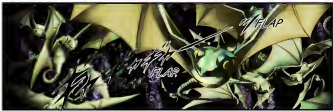
Gah!

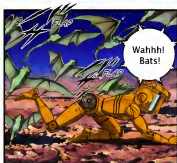


Ahhhh!

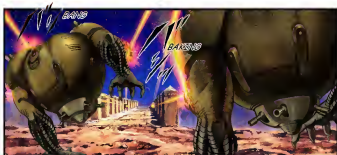








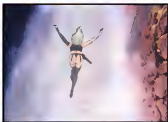








Everybody
jump!





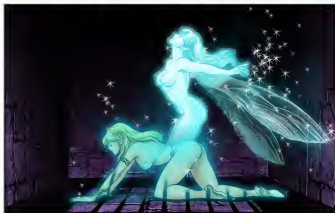


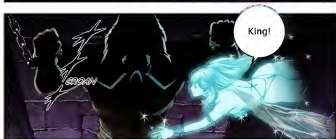




The Ace!









King!



Don't worry.
One of these
days I'll bring
back your
memories...

...and I'll
release you
from your
nightmare.



King!



Just your
usual fit?
Keh heh
heh...

Gizalla's
bravest
warrior...



...tormented
by a mere
dream...
like a girl...



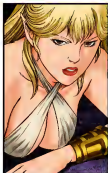
What's
the fuss,
King?



Pull
yourself
together,
"King"!



You're my road
to prosperity.
I need you to keep
raking in the cash.



If you can't
do your job, I'll
sell you to the
slave market.

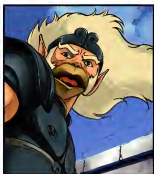


Elise.
Your role is to
calm the
King down.

















When the time comes, be ready.

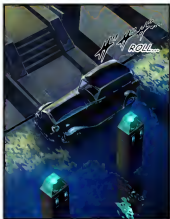
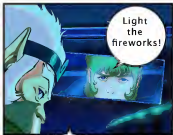


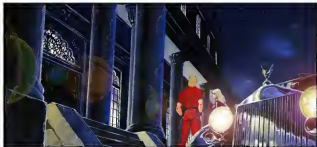
All right, fine. We'll save it for when the job's finished.



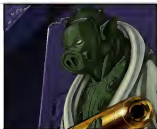
What should we do? It'll be easy to get inside the dungeon, but leaving with a slave is another matter.

















King doesn't know who you are.



Hmph. You're lying.

We're his friends. We came to get him out of this dungeon.



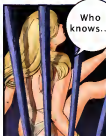
I heard King has a female partner. That must be you.



Looks like you know him, though.



I don't know who you are, but King won't leave without me!



Who knows...?

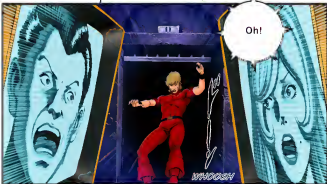


Where is King now?





Bingol

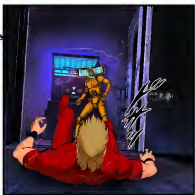


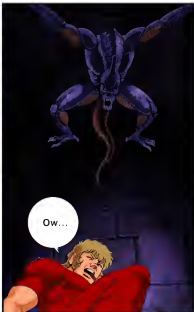
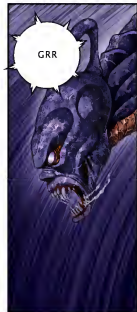
Oh!



Once again,
you've screwed
up. You opened
the wrong door.
Nice one.

Oh...!











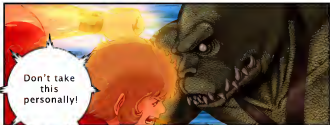
In the Blue
Corner, from the
sandy hell of
Planet Geld,
a man with
superhuman
strength!

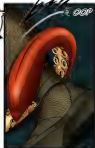
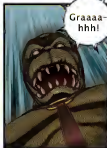


Who cares
if he's
from Earth?



It'd be nice
to see the red
blood of the
Earthman
for once.







This next opponent is going to be tough to beat. Keh heh heh. Does he have what it takes...?



Woooooh!



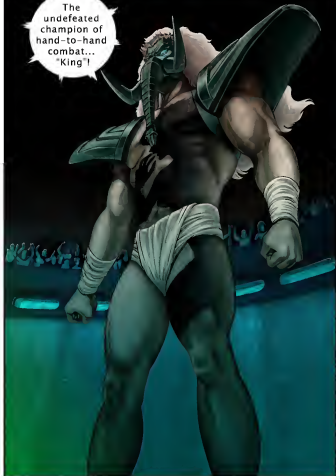
Woooooh!



In the Blue Corner, the hero of Gizalla!



The
undefeated
champion of
hand-to-hand
combat...
"King"!







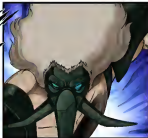
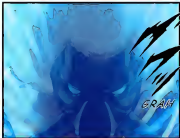
Keh heh heh...
now there's
something you don't
see everyday! The
fearsome Earthman with
unforeseen strength,
versus the undefeated
champion of hand-
to-hand combat!

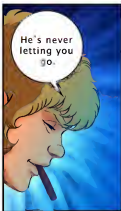


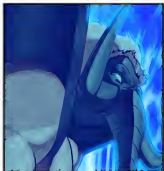
I will
emancipate
the victor!

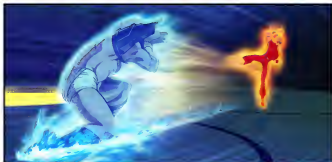
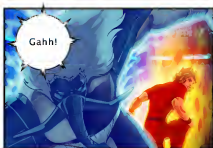




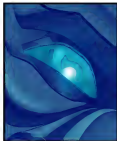


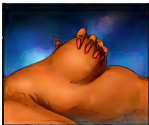


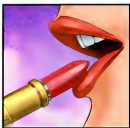
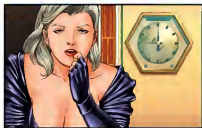






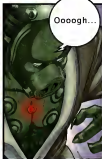
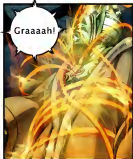
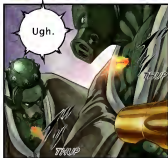


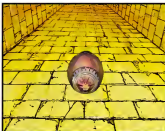






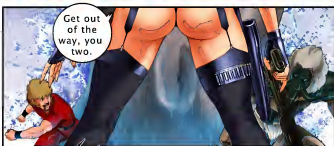




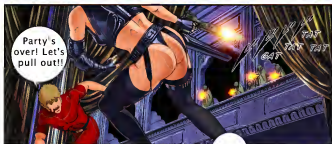




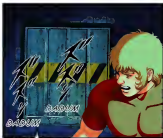


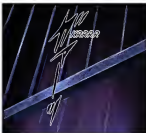
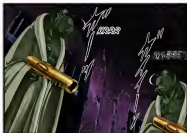














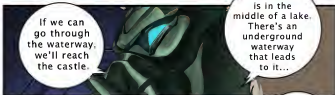




You must know how to get to the castle.



So, King. Which way should I steer this thing?



If we can go through the waterway, we'll reach the castle.

The castle is in the middle of a lake. There's an underground waterway that leads to it...



We're going to recapture Shiba Castle from the Chaos Army.



Hah, Shiba Castle! Are you actually thinking of going there?

That place has become a base for the Chaos Army! Why would you go there?!



Recapture!?



Recapture.
Hah, don't
make me
laugh.



She looks
like she was
born in high
heels with a
machine
gun in her
hand.

I mean,
look at this
woman. She's
a hitman!



We're the
Spade Knights
destined to
save the
castle, huh?



On top of
all that, there's
me, the bomb
manufacturer.
There you have it,
our legion of
so-called Spade
Knights.



And then
there's the
fugitive with
a bounty on
his head!



A
safecracker
and his
mistress!





That's
Shiba Castle...
It's so close...



It's just
like you say,
Jack. We were
all selected.

The client
for this mission
got us together
after calculating
the sum of our
individual
talents...



No... That's
a mirage...
The real Shiba
Castle is far
away...



What was
once a beautiful
view has now
become this
terrifying
illusion.

That's
how Shiba
Castle lures
people...





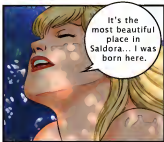




This forest
is known as
the "Forest of
Fairies"...



Might I
remind you
it's now a
battleground
occupied
by the Chaos
Army.

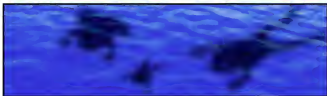


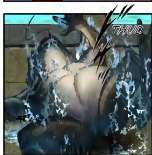
It's the
most beautiful
place in
Saldora... I was
born here.



That was
true long
ago.









They must be Chaos soldiers.



Watch it, there's a bunch more surrounding our boat.



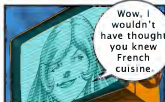
Wait! He's not a Chaos soldier! He's on our side.



He's one of the Logg people. They're the "Raiders" fighting the Chaos Army in the forest.



Huh...!?





You've got it all wrong! I'm trying to stop her!

Oh, you want to mess with me?
Ow ow ow! Damn you...



Hey, just hold on.

Predictable. You're going to let him get away with these insults?



What...!?
Now what do we do?



This isn't good, Cobra. It looks like the underground waterway is closed.



You're saying we have to go to the town of Saldora, which is swarming with Chaos soldiers.

In other words, we're going to watch ourselves get killed one by one. That's insane.



We have no choice but to go there and open it.

The entrance to the waterway is below the Temple of Saldora.





I'm going
to the
temple to
open the
door.

Elise,
wait!



There's
no need to
worry. She
can do
it...



Wait
until
sunrise.



Twenty
years ago...
I lost my
memory... and I
found myself
lost in this
forest...

She saved
me... That
fairy saved
me!





What's wrong, Eight?



Cobra... are you asleep?



Hey Cobra, why don't you team up with me?



My name is Judy...



...and that woman is a professional killer...



Jack is a villain by nature...



I can't trust any of them... The only one I can trust is... you, Cobra.



...and that big man who lost his memory gives off bad vibes... and that fairy, too...





Oh, no...



Dumb girl.
Why would I
say that? Just
to bring you
along...?



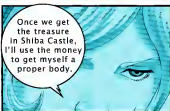
Huh!
What's
going to
happen!?

Dammit.
I cut
the wrong
cord.



What's
wrong?





















Sorry, but
I'm going to
have to borrow
your clothes.





Huh...!?
What is
that!?



Wow...
those Mech
Beasts are all
destroyed...



Who could
have taken
all those
down...?





King!



Shut up!
I was born
from a prestigious
background. The
others can take
care of the
dirty work.

Why are
we lingering
around here? He
told us to look
for the two
of them.



Huh?

90!



Oh, for the
love of...! You
are such a...! Get
a
backbone!

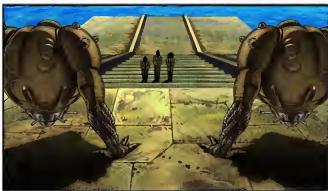


How
the hell
should
I know?

Oh, it's
the code...!
W... wait, what
were Monroe's
three sizes
again...?



60!

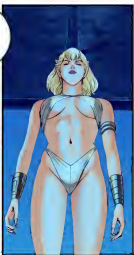
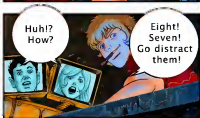






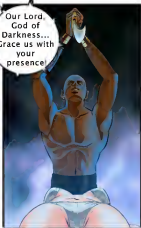
Oh, God
of Darkness,
who hath
brought us
glory and
fortune...







Our Lord,
God of
Darkness...
Grace us with
your
presence!



Looks
like it's
working.

KRRR

Is this
even going
to work...?









So that's why they were sacrificing her.



Now here's an interesting device. It looks like you need a live human to open the lock.



Nah, it won't work. I'm not a virgin.



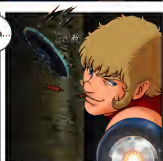
A sacrifice, Cobra. Won't you do the honors?

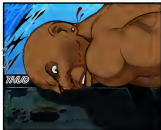


Which means we just got in the way of getting our gate opened.



That doesn't matter! All that matters is blood! We need to spill blood to open this.





Nah. That stuff doesn't really suit me.

You want me to thank you? Or should I repent?



That's the archbishop Engola. He's human, but he joined up with the Chaos Army.

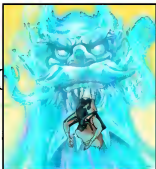


The lock is open!



Look... Blood...!

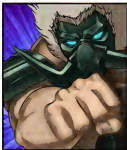


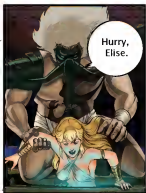
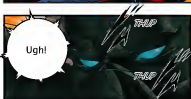




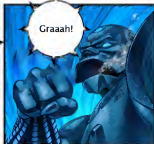


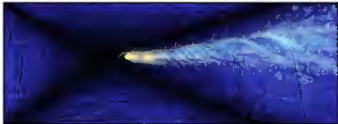
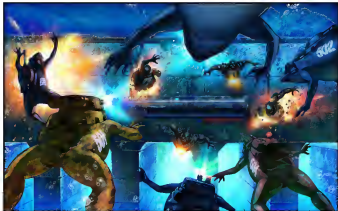














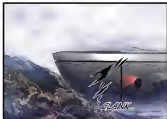
We've
come out
into the
lake...



The surface
is getting
brighter...



It looks
like we're in
the lake... but I
can't see anything
through this
fog.

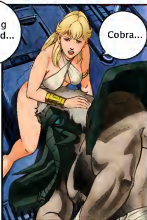


All right,
let's have a
look what's
out there.

Looks
like we
hit the
bank.



But King
is injured...



Cobra...



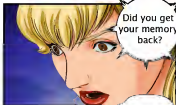
Take care of
him. I'm going
to take a look
what's going
on outside.



Lomira...
Don't die
on me...



Lomira...



Did you get
your memory
back?



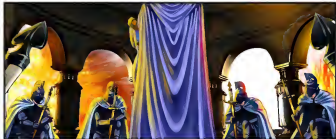
O...oh! I
remember,
the castle...!



King...! What
are you talking
about...? Did
you remember
something...?



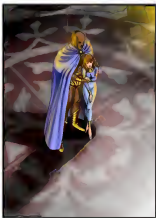
The castle
was surrounded
by a
Chaos fleet...

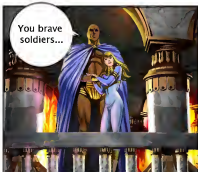


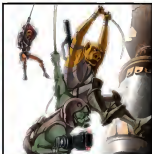
Glory to the
Kingdom of
Shiba!



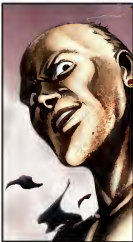
Glory
to the great
King Shiba
and Queen
Lomira!



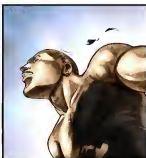












That's when...
that's when that
man branded an
image of my wife
onto my
body...!



King...!
You were the
Great King of
Shiba...!?



Huh...!?
Look, the
fog is
clearing up!



It's Cobra!



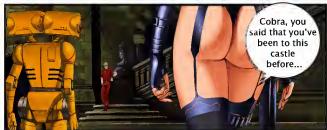
A man with a
gun attached
to his left arm...
There's only one
man like that in
the universe...

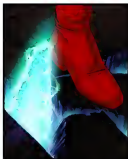
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There's
Shiba Castle.

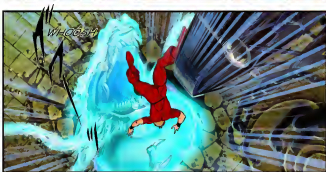
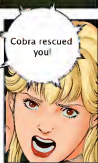


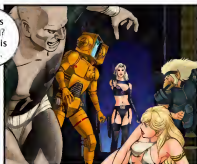


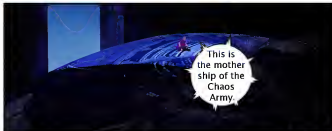


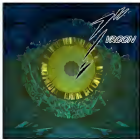
















Hooray!
Look at this mountain of treasure!





Yep, every
last
doubloon!



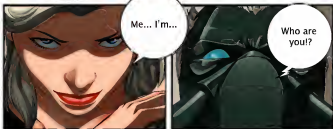
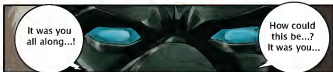
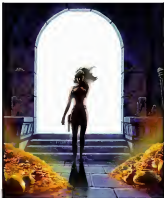
This is
all ours!?

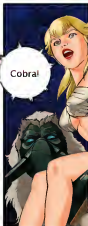


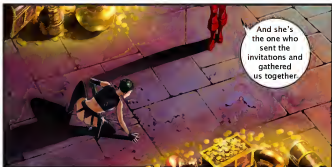
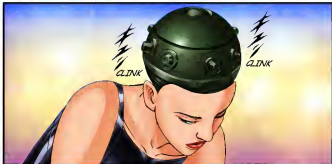
That's
where
you're
wrong.





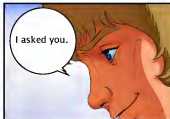






She's our
client.







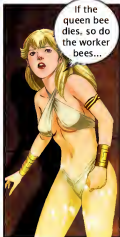


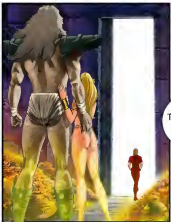
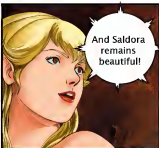










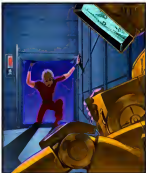




...but
I guess it'll
still fly.



This airship
is a bit
worn out...



You loved
Frank, didn't
you?



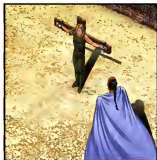
I'm finally
free of him.



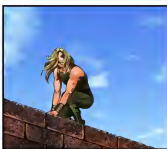
Go buy
yourself a
new body
with that.

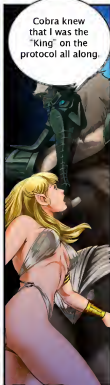
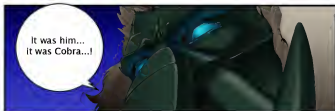














...just to
return the
favor.



He returned
once more
to this
castle...



Cobra!!



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